

**TITLE 19—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
SENIOR SERVICES  
Division 30—Division of Regulation and Licensure  
Chapter 20—Hospitals**

**IN ADDITION**

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF RULE**

**19 CSR 30-20.015 Administration of the Hospital Licensing  
Program**

*ACTION TAKEN: NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF 19 CSR 30-  
20.015(8)(A)*

*19 CSR 30-20.015(8)(A) and section 197.100 RSMo, shall be waived to the extent necessary to temporarily suspend the requirement of state hospital inspections and investigations. The Department shall temporarily suspend all state licensure inspections and investigations of hospitals, with the exception of those necessary to maintain public health and safety and those considered to be immediate jeopardy situations, during the declared emergency period. The hospital licensure program would like to suspend the inspection/survey process in order to ensure that DHSS staff do not expose patients to COVID-19 and do not become exposed to COVID-19. This is in line with the federal order suspending the inspection/survey process. It is immediate to protect patients and DHSS staff from getting or transmitting COVID-19.*

*EMERGENCY STATEMENT: Pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 20-04 dated March 18, 2020, the provisions referenced in this notice are suspended effective April 2, 2020 until May 15, 2020.*

*This in addition notice will appear in the May 15, 2020 issue of the **Missouri Register**.*